Additional Telephone Connection in Karnataka

2605. SHRI K. C. KONDAIAH : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited is offering additional telephone connection for its subscribers at Rs. 1 in Karnataka;

(b) if so, which are the places proposed to be covered under this new scheme;

(c) the areas identified in Bangalore for implementation of the above scheme;

(d) whether there is any proposal to show concessional rental charges to those who opt for this facility; and

(e) the reasons for introducing the above scheme in Karnataka?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details of the places proposed to be covered under the scheme are given in Statement (*See* below).

(c) Entire Bangalore city has been identified for the implementation of the scheme.

(d) There is no such proposal.

(e) The scheme has been introduced in Karnataka to generate additional telephone demand in the areas where telephone is already on demand and exchange capacity exists. The scheme has been introduced with the approval of TRAI as per TRAI flexibility in packaging tariff.

Statement

Places (SSA wise) covered under the new scheme in Karnataka Circle

Sl. No.	SSA	Places
1	2	3
1.	Bangalore	Entire Bangalore Telecom District
2.	Belgaum	Belgaum
3.	Bellary	Entire Bellary Telecom District

1	2	3
4.	Bidar	Bidar, Nambad, Bhalki, Aurad, Thanakrishnur, Kamalanagar, Humnabad
5.	Bijapur	Bijapur, Bagalkot, Ilkal, Jamkhandi
6.	Chicklmagalur (Davangere)	Chicklmagalur, Koppa, Tarekere, Ajjampura, Kadur, Birur, Mudigere, Kudremukha, Sringeri, N.R. Pura
7.	Chitradurga	Davanagere, Chitradurga, Harihar
8.	Dakshina Kanada (Mangalore)	Pandeshwar, Carstreet, Kadri, Kankanady, Bajal, Kulashekara, Kavoor, Urwa, Bykampady, Surathkal, Katipallis, Malpe, Ujjarkad, Udupi, Manipal, Sulia, Bantwal, Panemangalore, Puttur, Shishila, Kalpady, Deralkatte
9.	Dharwad	Hubli, Dharwar, Haveri, Ranebennur, Gadag
10.	Gulbarga	Gulbarga
11.	Hassan	Hassan, Sakkeshpura, Chennrayapatna, Arkalgod, Arsekere
12.	Kolar	Kolar, KGF, Bangarpet, Chintamani, Mulbagil, Srinivaspur, Sidlaghatta, Bagepalli, Gowribirinur, Chickballapur, Malur
13.	Mandya	Entire Mandya
14.	Mercara	Mercara
15.	Mysore	Mysore
16.	Raichur	Raichur, Koppal, Gangavathi
17.	Shimoga	Shimoga
18.	Tumkur	Tumkur, Madhugiri, Sira
19.	Uttara Kannada (Karwar)	Karwar, Honnavara, Haliyal, Ankola, Bhatkal, Sirai, Kumta, Yellapur, Siddapur